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MOUSE OR OTHER ACCESSORY ITEMS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2005, in which the Examiner required restriction between the species illustrated in Figure 7, the species illustrated in Figure 8, and the species illustrated in Figure 9. Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the species illustrated in Figure 7, which species encompasses claims 1-31 and 40-52. Such election is made with traverse as Applicant believes the three species of the attaching means of the first bracket are similarly classified such that searching the species together would not impose an undue burden on the Examiner. Further, Applicant expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims. Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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